

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace paragraph [0027] on page 10 with the amended paragraph:

-- The novel method advantageously oligomerizes olefinic monomers derived from crude feed streams that contain contaminants. Such contaminants include  $H_2$ , CO, paraffins,  $C_2H_2$ ,  $H_2O$ ,  $CO_2$  and alkynes. However, the most harmful, and least addressed in the art, contaminants are sulfur-containing compounds. The instant method successfully oligomerizes olefinic monomers into higher olefins even with crude feeds contaminated with sulfur-containing compounds, such as  $H_2S$ , mercaptans, sulfides, thiophenes and derivatives thereof. --